

Situation Report #7

Charlie Crist Governor

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Current Situation:

- Unified Command estimates release rate of oil from Deepwater Horizon at 5,000 barrels per day.
- This event has been designated a Spill of National Significance.
- Unified Command continues with a comprehensive oil well intervention and spill response plan following the April 22 sinking of the Transocean Deepwater Horizon drilling rig 130 miles southeast of New Orleans.
- The first collection dome was deployed today, but will take at least a week to be fully implemented. One smaller leak of three leaks was capped with a valve.
- 7,484 personnel are involved on and offshore response, with an additional 2,000+ volunteers.
- To date, 23,968 barrels of an oil-water mix has been recovered.
- Response vessels used: 170 (skimmers, tugs, barges, and recovery vessels)
- Dispersant: 190,285 gallons deployed/55,611 gallons available
- Oil containment boom (barrier in feet): 535,870 deployed/ 664,981 available
- 9 staging areas are in place to protect sensitive shorelines:
 - o AL Dauphin Island
 - o FL Pensacola
 - LA Port Fourchon, Port Sulphur, Shell Beach, Venice
 - o MS Biloxi, Gulfport, Pascagoula
- The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has issued a
 Declaration of Regional Emergency, allowing motor carriers
 transporting response-related materials exemption from hours of
 service requirements.
- NOAA restricted offshore fishing (more than 20 miles off the coast) in Federal Waters between the mouth of the Mississippi River to Pensacola starting on May 2nd for a minimum of 10 days.

Florida Specific:

- The 72-hour NOAA trajectory shows *no* oil landfall in Florida.
- Oil Containment Boom (in feet)
 - o Pensacola: 118,300 deployed/ 45,000 staged
 - o Panama City: 45,000 staged
- In accordance with established plans, protective booming is now being deployed in the coastal areas of Escambia and Santa Rosa counties.
- There are 285 British Petroleum (BP) and contract personnel working on the effort in the Pensacola area.
- BP issued a 25 million dollar block grant to Florida, which will be used for booming costs.
- An additional area command/ unified command planning cell is being established in the U.S. Coast Guard's Sector St. Petersburg for the west coast of Florida. A virtual command post has been set up for Sector Key West.

County EOC Activations

- Bay, Level 2 (Partial)
- Escambia, Level 2 (Partial)
- Franklin, Level 2 (Partial)
- Okaloosa, Level 2 (Partial)
- Santa Rosa, Level 2 (Partial)
- Wakulla, Level 2 (Partial)
- Walton, Level 2 (Partial)

State Actions:

- State Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is at a Level 2 (Partial) with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) as the lead agency.
- EM Constellation database: Deepwater Horizon
- Governor's Executive Orders 10-99 and 10-100 declared a state of emergency for:
 - Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, and Gulf (10-99)
 - Franklin, Wakulla, Jefferson, Taylor, Dixie, Levy, Citrus, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Manatee, and Sarasota (10-100)
- The State Emergency Response Team:
 - Conducting daily conference calls with county and emergency management partners to ensure there are open lines of communication and information flow.
 - Participating in conference calls held by the Federal On-Scene Coordinator and the Sector Mobile Unified Command.
 - A 27-member Forward-State Emergency Response Team (F-SERT) is on-scene at the Unified Command post in Mobile.
 - 6 SERT Liaisons comprised of FDEP staff are assisting local emergency management develop contingency plans for booming operations in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, and Gulf Counties.
 - 5 Regional Coordinators are deployed to coastal areas.
- 7 Representatives from British Petroleum (BP) and the U.S. Coast Guard are stationed present at the State EOC an.
- Volunteer Florida is assisting with coordination of pre-landfall clean-up efforts along Panhandle beaches.
- ESF 15 –Volunteers and Donation and ESF 14 Public Information have partnered to launch a "Coast Watch" public information campaign to encourage individuals to watch the coast and report any effects from the oil spill to authorities.
- The Florida Department of Corrections has issued an Emergency Order allowing inmates be utilized in response/ clean-up activities.
- ESF 10 Hazardous Materials has established a Boom Coordination Cell to process additional boom priority requests from counties.
- ESF 18 Business, Industry and Economic Stabilization sent out an economic loss survey available for use to all Florida businesses on 5/4/10.
- The GIS specialist from Virginia, requested through EMAC, is onscene.

Local States of Emergency

- Escambia
- Franklin
- Gulf
- Okaloosa
- Santa Rosa
- Sarasota
- Taylor
- Wakulla
- Walton